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ITANAGAR, ARUNACHAL PRADESH

An appeal case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005

Vide Case No.APIC-407/2024

BEFORE THE HON'BLE COURT OF SHRI VIJAY TARAM, THE STATE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER, UNDER SECTION 19(3) OF RTI ACT, 2005.

Shri Mamu Sono ..... **Appellant**

-VERSUS-

PIO-Cum- Director of Land Management
Itanagar, Papum Pare District,
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh ..... **Respondent**.

Order:**20.11.2025**.

JUDGEMENT

This is an appeal filed under sub-section (3) of Section 19 of the RTI 2005. Brief fact of the case is that the Appellant, Shri Mamu Sono on **19/06/2024** filed an RTI application in form 'A' before the PIO-cum-Director Land Management, Itanagar, Papumpare District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh. Whereby seeking various information as quoted in Form 'A' application. The Appellant being not satisfied with the information received from the PIO filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **26/07/2024**. Appellant again having not received the required information from the FAA, filed the Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on **12/12/2024** and the Registry of the Commission (APIC) having receipt of the Appeal registered it as APIC- No. **407/2024** (Appeal) and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

Accordingly, matter came up for hearing before the Commission on **13.03.2025, 12.08.2025 & 20.11.2025**. Details of Information sought from the PIO;

i) Furnish the copies of appointment order letter.
ii) Furnish the copies of RR, govt. norms & rules for the appointment against mentioned employee.
iii) Furnish the copies of mode of appointment, furnish column wise as like (Designation (b) Mode of appointment (c) Date of Joining (d) Date of Appointment.
iv) Furnish the copies of news paper cutting with front page which agency were published on any local or national News Paper Agencies, appointments norms of guidelines and advertisement order no.
v) Furnish the copies of Educational Qualification of the mentioned above employee during the time of appointment made.
vi) Furnish the copies of employee applied for further study.
vii) Furnish the copies of Govt. order No. regarding In the constituting a committee to regularize the service or appointment.
viii) Furnish the copies of file noting of appointment made etc.
ix) Furnish the copies of writing and viva voice test.
x) Furnish the copies of note sheets of Minister, MLA by against the appointment made etc.
xi) Furnish the copies of sports certificates submitted by the candidates at the time of appointment made with institutions name if any so far.
xii) Furnish the copies of DPC with seal and sign of all the board members to constitute a committee for appoint and promotion as a regular.

Period for which information required: Since appointment to till date.

Background:

The Appellant filed an appeal under the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005, seeking information from the Public Information Officer (PIO)-cum-Director Land Management Department, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh. Subsequent hearings were scheduled, but the Appellant was absent for two consecutive hearings despite receiving prior notices from the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC). The Commission had expressly stated that any absence in these hearings would result in the proceedings being conducted ex parte.

Present Before the Commission:

- PIO: Present

- Appellant: Absent

Observations by the Commission

1. The Appellant has been consistently absent for two consecutive hearings despite being duly notified.
2. The PIO has affirmed that all requested information was furnished to the Appellant, who personally collected the information from the PIO's office.
3. The Commission observes that the Appellant's absence in light of having received the information is contrary to the expected conduct of an appellant under the RTI Act.

Assessment by the Commission

The Commission considers the repeated absence of the Appellant to be unbecoming and presumes that the information has been satisfactorily received. The principle of fair hearing, as mandated under the RTI Act, emphasizes the importance of participation in hearings, and the failure to do so warrants serious consideration.

Conclusion:

Given the circumstances, the Commission finds that:

1. The Appellant has been adequately informed of the hearing dates and has received the requested information from the PIO.

2. The continuous absence of the Appellant from hearings, despite being warned, indicates a lack of intent to pursue the appeal further.

Order:

In light of the above findings, the Commission hereby dispose the appeal ex-parte. The case is closed, and no further action will be taken regarding this appeal.

In view of the above facts and circumstances the Commission, find this appeal fit to be disposed of and closed. And accordingly this appeal stands disposed and closed once for all.

Judgment pronounced in the open Court of this Commission today on this **20th day of November' 2025**.

Copy of this Judgment be furnished to the parties.

Given under my hand and seal of this Court on this **20th day of November' 2025.**

Sd/-
(Vijay Taram)
State Information Commissioner
APIC-Itanagar

Memo.No.APIC-407/A/2024/991 **Dated Itanagar, the 25.11.November, 2025.**

Copy to:

1. PIO-Cum-O/O Director Land Management, Itanagar, P/Pare District, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please. **Pin Code:791111**
2. Shri Mamu Sono, Sood Village, PO/PS-Naharlagun, P/Pare District Arunachal Pradesh for information please. **Contact No. 9436215521**
3. The Computer Programmer, APIC for uploading on the Website of APIC please.
4. Office Copy

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Registrar/Dy. Registrar
APIC, Itanagar.

Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission